## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## **LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

- 1. (currently amended): A gas barrier film having an inorganic coating layer formed by the sol-gel method or an organic-inorganic hybrid coating layer formed by the sol-gel method on a transparent base film containing an inorganic layered compound wherein the base film has having-a glass transition temperature of 100°C or higher and a linear thermal expansion coefficient of 40 ppm/°C or lower.
- 2. (original): The gas barrier film according to claim 1 having an organic-inorganic hybrid coating layer formed by the sol-gel method on a transparent base film having a glass transition temperature of 100°C or higher and a linear thermal expansion coefficient of 40 ppm/°C or lower.
- 3. (original): The gas barrier film according to claim 1 having an inorganic coating layer formed by the sol-gel method and an organic-inorganic hybrid coating layer formed by the sol-gel method on a transparent base film having a glass transition temperature of 100°C or higher and a linear thermal expansion coefficient of 40 ppm/°C or lower.
- 4. (original): The gas barrier film according to claim 1 having an inorganic thin film layer and an organic-inorganic hybrid coating layer formed by the sol-gel method on a

transparent base film having a glass transition temperature of 100°C or higher and a linear thermal expansion coefficient of 40 ppm/°C or lower.

- 5. (original): The gas barrier film according to claim 4, wherein the inorganic thin film layer is an inorganic coating layer formed by the sol-gel method.
- 6. (original): The gas barrier film according to claim 1, wherein the base film has a glass transition temperature of 120°C or higher.
- 7. (original): The gas barrier film according to claim 1, wherein the base film has a glass transition temperature of 150°C or higher.
- 8. (original): The gas barrier film according to claim 1, wherein the base film has a linear thermal expansion coefficient of 20 ppm/°C or lower.
- 9. (original): The gas barrier film according to claim 1, wherein the base film is made of a material selected from the group consisting of polyethylene naphthalate, polycarbonate, cycloolefin polymer, polyalylate and polyethersulfone.
  - 10. (canceled).
  - 11. (currently amended): The gas barrier film according to claim 10 claim 1, wherein

the weight ratio of the inorganic layered compound and a resin contained in the base film is preferably 1/100 to 100/20.

- 12. (currently amended): The gas barrier film according to claim 10claim 1, wherein the inorganic layered compound contains an organic cation.
- 13. (original): The gas barrier film according to claim 12, wherein the organic cation contains alkylammonium ions containing a long-chain alkyl group.
- 14. (original): The gas barrier film according to claim 12, wherein the organic cation is contained in an amount of 0.05 to 3 equivalents relative to the cation exchange capacity of the inorganic layered compound.
- 15. (previously presented): The gas barrier film according to claim 12, having an inorganic thin film layer and organic-inorganic hybrid coating layer formed by the sol-gel method on the base film.
- 16. (original): A substrate for a display having the gas barrier film according to Claim 1.
  - 17. (original): A display device having the gas barrier film according to claim 1.

- 18. (original): An organic electroluminescent device having the gas barrier film according to claim 1.
  - 19. (original): A liquid crystal device having the gas barrier film according to claim 1.
- 20. (withdrawn): A method for preparing a gas barrier film having an inorganic coating layer or an organic-inorganic hybrid coating layer on a transparent base film having a glass transition temperature of 100°C or higher and a linear thermal expansion coefficient of 40 ppm/°C or lower, which comprises the step of forming the inorganic coating layer on the transparent base film by hydrolizing and polycondensating a metal alkoxide, or the step of forming the organic-inorganic hybrid coating layer on the transparent base film by hydrolizing and polycondensating a metal alkoxide in the presence of a resin.
- 21. (withdrawn): A method for preparing a gas barrier film having an inorganic coating layer and an organic-inorganic hybrid coating layer on a transparent base film having a glass transition temperature of 100°C or higher and a linear thermal expansion coefficient of 40 ppm/°C or lower, which comprises the step of forming the inorganic coating layer on the transparent base film by hydrolizing and polycondensating a metal alkoxide, and the step of forming the organic-inorganic hybrid coating layer on the transparent base film by hydrolizing and polycondensating a metal alkoxide in the presence of a resin.